(c) The ULFA has been declared as an Unlawful Association under the 'Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act.' The entire State of Assam has also been declared as 'Disturbed Area' under the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act. and armed forces of the Union have deployed in Assam to aid the civil authority to deal with the situation.

Self-immolations for and against 'Mandal Commission Report

1402. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of boys and girls who self-immolated for or against Mandal Commission Report during the last twelve months, city-wise and month-wise; and

(b) what steps Government have taken to avoid the same in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) The information received from the State Government of Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Punjab and Rajasthan and Union Territories of Chandigarh and Delhi, is given in the attached statement. (*See below*) The information from the remaining State Govts./UTs is being obtained and will be laid on the table of the House.

(b) The Government order regarding reservation in jobs to socially and educationally backward classes has been challenged in the court of law The matter is pending before the Supreme Court The Court has directed that no steps to implement the said Government Order shall be taken till the pendency of the hearing excepting identification of the Castes to be benefited.

Statement

State-wise and city-wise statement of boys and girls who lost their lives in self-immolation/suicide during the anti-reservation stir against *Mandal commission report.*

Place	September		October		November	
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Himachal Pradesh						
Mandi . .	1			..		
Kangra . .	.		2	1		
Shimla . . .	..			1		
Karnataka						
Dharwad. . . .	..	1	..	..	..	..
Punjab						
Bhudhalada . . .	..	..	1	..	.	..
Ferozepur . . .	..	.		2		

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Jalandhar . . .	..	..	1	1	..	..
Gurdaspur . . .	..		2	1		
Amritsar . . .	..	..	..	.	1	.
Sangrur	.	..	..	.	1	.
Patiala . . .		..	..	.	1	.
Rajasthan						
Sikar .	1	..	1			
Chandigarh .	1	1	.	5		.
Delhi	2	.	6	2	..	..

Terrorist activities in Mizoram

1403. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of terrorist activities in Mizoram;

(b) whether any stir is going on there against non-Mizos by the local people, and

(c) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) No Sir. No terrorist group is presently active in Mizoram.

(b) and (c) A section of the Mizo businessmen/traders organised under the Mizoram Chamber of Commerce have launched a campaign demanding, *inter alia*, that the trade licences and inner-line permits issued to non-mizo traders in the State should not be renewed. These business men/traders have expressed themselves against the alleged monopoly on non-locals in the field of trade and commerce in the State and want that only Mizos should monopolise the business in Mizoram.

News item captioned 'ULFA does not recognised Constitution'

1404 SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:
KUMARI ALIA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem that appeared in the Indian Express dated the 24th November, 1990 under the caption 'ULFA does not recognise Constitution';

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) the steps Government propose to take to curb its activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The ULFA being a secessionist organisation does not believe in Indian Constitution.

(c) The ULFA has been banned under Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967. The entire State of Assam has been declared as 'disturbed area' under the Armed Force (Special Powers) Act. Coordinated operations have been launched by the Army, paramilitary forces and the State Police.